# FRANC BUYS MOST AMID SNOWY PEAKS ON EDGE OF SPAIN

Pyrenees Leave Areas Now Greeting 7,000 Yanks at a Time

### WARM SEA BATHING SOON

American Permissionnaires' Chance to Visit Lourdes Grotto and Marshal Foch's Birthplace

For the particular use of the men in the embarkation centers, whether about Le Mans or Bordeaux, the duty status (class A) leaves areas of the Pyrences mountain mmodating between 6,000 and men at a time, and now running full blast And that full blast, with the spring com ing up in force from Spain just below the tains, with wild flowers galore grow ing in the crewices of the rocky gorges the water of the Atlantic at Biarrit in the surf, is quite some blast, in

Between the four leave areas-Biarritz Eaux-Bonnes, Cauterets and Luchon—there is really very little difference, save that Biarritz is right on the sea and that the others are purely mountain resorts, and that of the four Eaux-Bonnes is the smallest. All endoy the same scenery, practically the same entertainment incilities, the same opportunities for side trips to other points of interest in the countryside. All are run under the same plan—free room and board (and such board never was before), no military duties, no reveille, no forci), no military duties, no reveille, no taps (though there is supposed to be an 11:30 or midnight call to quarters). With the possible exception of Biarritz, which is more or less favored by officers on

leave, a man's saluting arm never grows weary during his seven days' respite. the Pyrences region, as at present constituted and run, is designed as a paradise of and for the enlisted man.

### Where Francs Go Furthest

Where Franes Go Furthest at means, literally, that rank cuts no dances, at shows or on trips. The issionaire in O.D. is monarch of all he ys, and the simple and genuine peofers of the region, having seen hardly any icans before, treat him as a monarch, though he wears no stripes and dialon his right arm to prove it. In the possible exception of one or apacious cafe proprietors, notably in crets, they do not, however, charge monarch's prices, used as Pyrenees expers and storekeepers are to entering royalty. In short, it can safely be that in no other corner of France will

ourse, the unrivaled scenery of the snow mountains and the quiet charm of ep dotted lowlands—is the one thing the Pyrenees region is uncom-long. There never were such eats on land or sea or in the sky, and of them.

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for breakfast, for example, are refor all hotels housing men on leave Government contract. But the rich the daintily, nay, reverently premeats and vegetables, and those ample fritters and panelkes far example the state of the same stipulation of any contract, Governments and they are a delicious for the reason that the Pyrenecus don't how to cook any other way; which on enough, and no questions asked, as the biting salt air of Blarritz and art, cool mountain crispness of the three resorts has something to do.

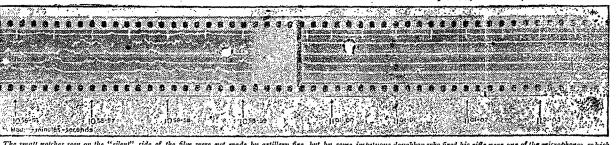
### In Un-Americanized France

the country bounded on the north e railroad between Bordeaux and so and on the south by the Spanish r does not rely solely on its scenery isine for its appeal to the Yank on Its great charm is that it and its lants are so new, so quaint, so e to the Americans who know only ance of little Lorraine villages, the along the Tours-Chaumont line, or se ports.

of the law, the sight of Spain is perfectly prossible, whether from the Prench end of possible, whether from the Prench end of the Spain say the theorem of the border twenty and the border twenty an possible, whether from the French end of the international bridge at Hendaye, below Biarritz, or from the mountains in the vicinity of Cautorets and Luchon. In many of Port and in the "Spanish town" of Luchon, he might, in fact, as well be in Spain as on the French side of the boundary. Beside the innate "differentness" of the region, there is plenty of variety in store for the O.D. visitor. No matter what area he goes to, he is by no means tied town to its immediate surroundings. He can like to the tops of snowclad peaks where "overcoats will be worn at all formations" seems as far away as it would be totally inadequate for the Owt temperature. He can blike to the tops of snowclad peaks where "overcoats will be worn at all formations" seems as far away as it would be totally inadequate for the low temperature. He can blike to the tops of snowclad peaks where "overcoats will be worn at all formations" seems as far away as it would be totally inadequate for the low temperature. He can blike to the tops of snowclad peaks where "overcoats will be worn at all formations" seems as far away as a family of the can blee from now, bask on the sand of the Grande Plage at Biarritz between charges into the surf and crawl-stroke dashes out to sea. Artillerymen, and Cavalrymen whose conversion into machine-gunners and tankers did not spoil their love for horses will find plenty of chances to ride the little runty mountain steeds, a group of which are al-ways for hire in the towns of Cauterets and Motoring fans whose previous auto transportation in France consisted mainly of standing-up rides in three-ton trucks will find elegantly appointed cars waiting in line for them at Biarritz, at prices ranging from 30 to 40 francs per passenger for allieds this before, and through the very heart for the Basque country. And for those hardened souls for whom travel on wartine French branch railroad lines holds no term of the same of the cheaviler Roland, down to the Spanish boder, and through the very heart of the Basque country. And fo

## SOUND MOVIE OF LAST SHOT

Each of the six lines is the record of a different microphone.)



The small notches seen on the "silent" side of the film were not made by artillery fire, but by some impeluous doughboy who fired his rifle near one of the microphones, which recorded faintly the pressure caused by the report.

is the famous little city of Lourdes, with its miraculous grotto of the Blessed Bernadette nestled underneath the great and beautiful triplicate basilique, its reduplication of the hill of Calvary, with the story of the way of Christ to the cross graphically portrayed by groups of bronze figures. As a shrine to those of the Catholic faith, Lourdes is renowned the world over, and it is the intention of the leave authorities to make it possible for every A.E.F. Catholic in any one of the areas to make the trip there, though men of other faiths are by no means barred from the excursion.

Twice a week the Knights of Columbus run a special trip from Biarritz, lasting two days and giving a six-hour stop-over

two days and giving a six-hour stop-ove in the noted resort town of Pau, with its chatcau of King Henry of Navarre and its magnificent views roundabout. Trips from ourdes by the Y.M.C.A. at least once week and more often when the demand and the available transportation can be

### 1,100 MEN OF 82ND OFF TO VISIT ITALY

## **CELEBRATION OF PASSOVER**

diers of Jewish faith will be given

# **HOW BOCHE GUNS WERE SPOTTED BY** RANGE FINDERS

Sound Movies Taken by 74th **Engineers Got Drop** on Huns

## FLASH DETECTING AN ART

Tell-Tale Smoke Puffs Also Enabled Our Observers to Show Batteries Where to Put 'Em

has been lifted, there may be told how the mechanical eyes and ears of the A.E.F.'s Artillery learned by night or day the location of the enemy's guns flashes of flame in the darkness or puffs o smoke at midday betrayed to soldier spe cialists the camouflaged hiding places German cannon, revealing those hiding

Five-gallon gasoline cans, hyperbolas acrophones, electric apparatus and syn-74th Engineers, originally the 2nd Batal on of the 29th Engineers, throw a new

When sound ranging was first used in the war, observors armed with stop watches were stationed at certain places along the front, and when they heard the report of no renew battery they recorded the exact time to fractions of a second and reported to a central station. These reports were rouselidated and plotted, and by this means it was possible to determine the location of the state of the

s told. A sergeant and eight men established an observation post in the ruined farm house, the highest point in the vicinity. It was an excellent observation post and also u fine registration point for German St.O.S., FATHERS

nan artillery. Every time the Germans began to register the sergeant and his men took to the collar. This, though destructive to instruments, was not so bad on the men, but the most serious point of the position was that no opproach to the place could be made in day-In consequence all food had to be carried up at night.

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In spite of this handicap, however, the
flash ranging section had fresh milk every
day. The sergeant discovered a cow, with
one leg shot off, on the farm. The men
dressed the cow's wound, fed her grass, nd in the darkness of the night milked her, thus adding a luxury to the field

ration.

When, after a month's stay in the farm house, the sector had to leave to follow the advance, the men tried to take the cow with them in a Ford ambulance, but they were unable to do so, the suggestion of one ungrateful soldier that she be carried in sections as a beef ration being indignantly spurned by all the rest. As far as is known the three-legged cow still remains at Les Mares.

ported to his central that he saw 20 Germans, then 200, then a large number, moving toward Vaux. The information was telephoned to our Artillery is an within three minutes the observer telephoned back: "Our Artillery is on term A shell burst right in the middle. The Germans are scattering in all directions."

This is just one of the incidents of the work done by flash and sound ranging sections in aiding the Artillery to shoot up flecting targets. They were a great aid to the Artillery Information Service.

### Focussed Demolition Fire

In checking up enemy positions after our roops had driven the Germans out, it was ound that the location given by the sound and flash rangers after several observations us in many instances within ten yards of

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thing but a machine gun bullet." the X-ray could h

**RULES LAID DOWN** TO SPEED MANIACS

Numerous Accidents Bring Strict Regulations in **Motor Traffic** 

The limitation in town and country of the speeds of all A.E.F. motor vehicles and the requirement that heavy trucks shall carry an extra man riding behind who shall signal the driver when a car coming up from the rear wishes to pass are features of traffic reform rules to be put into effect throughout the A.E.F. The rules are contained in G.O. 54, G.H.Q., which says in its preface:

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"The excessive speeds at which the majority of the motor vehicles of the A.E.F. are being driven, and the reckless disregard of traffic discipline, are causing so many accidents, and so rapid a deterioration in motor transport, as to scriously impair the military and economic efficiency of the American forces."

The speed in towns for all trucks of more than there-fourths of a ton capacity is limited by G.O. 54 to eight miles an hour, and all other vehicles, including ambulances, may not exceed ten miles an hour in towns. Trucks of more than three-quarters of a ton capacity may not go faster than ten miles an hour in towns. Trucks of more than three-quarters of a ton capacity may not go faster than ten miles an hour in the country. Outside of towns the speed limit for ambulances is fixed at 14 miles per hour. Speed limits for other vehicles are: Light delivery cars, 20 miles an hour; small passenger vehicles, 25 miles; motorcycles, without side cars, 35 miles; with side cars, 35 miles; heavy passenger cars, 35 miles. The order provides, however, that in outlying

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